

REMARKS

In the above-identified office action, the Examiner maintained the rejections that were made in the last office action. All of the pending claims, i.e., claims 1-20, were rejected again and the rejections were made final. This amendment is therefore being submitted with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

Claims 1-9 and 11-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Raith (WO 98/48577). Claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over the combination of Raith '577 in view of U.S. patent 6,625,457 to Raith (hereafter Raith '457).

In response to the rejections, claims 1, 15 and 20 have been amended as set forth above to distinguish the invention of the present application over the cited references, whether those references are considered alone, or in combination with each other.

With respect to claim 1, the claim has been amended to recite that the identifier-code broadcast scheduler schedules broadcasts of short dialing code values and "at least one of additional indicia and mnemonics" that are "associated" with the short dialing code values. Amended claim 1 also recites that at least one of the additional indicia or a mnemonic associated with the short dialing code values can be "displayed" on the display of a mobile node.

Claims 15 and 20 have been similarly amended.

Support for the claim amendments can be found in paragraphs [0031] and [0037] of the published application, which is U.S. pre-grant publication number 2005/0003803. No new matter has been added.

Neither of the Raith references are believed to disclose the transmission of "additional indicia" or a "mnemonic" with an area-dependent short dialing code, at least one of which can be displayed on the display of a mobile device, as the amended claims now require. Raith '577 discloses a panic button 260 on the mobile device, however, the panic button 260 of Raith '577 is not displayed on the device 200 nor is the panic button 260 "broadcast" with an area-dependent short dialing code as the amended claims now require.

As stated in the applicant's last response, Raith '577 discloses a multi-step procedure, and corresponding structure, to obtain an emergency number and use the number. The second Raith reference was cited merely for showing scheduling of a broadcast at selected intervals and was neither cited for showing, nor appears to show, the structure or methodology as now recited in the amended, independent claims.

In light of the foregoing amendments, independent claims 1, 15, and 20, and the dependent claims dependent thereon are believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reexamination and reconsideration for allowance of these claims respectfully requested. Such early action is earnestly solicited.

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